

# Public opinion check-in

## Legal justice system

Oregon statewide survey

January 2022

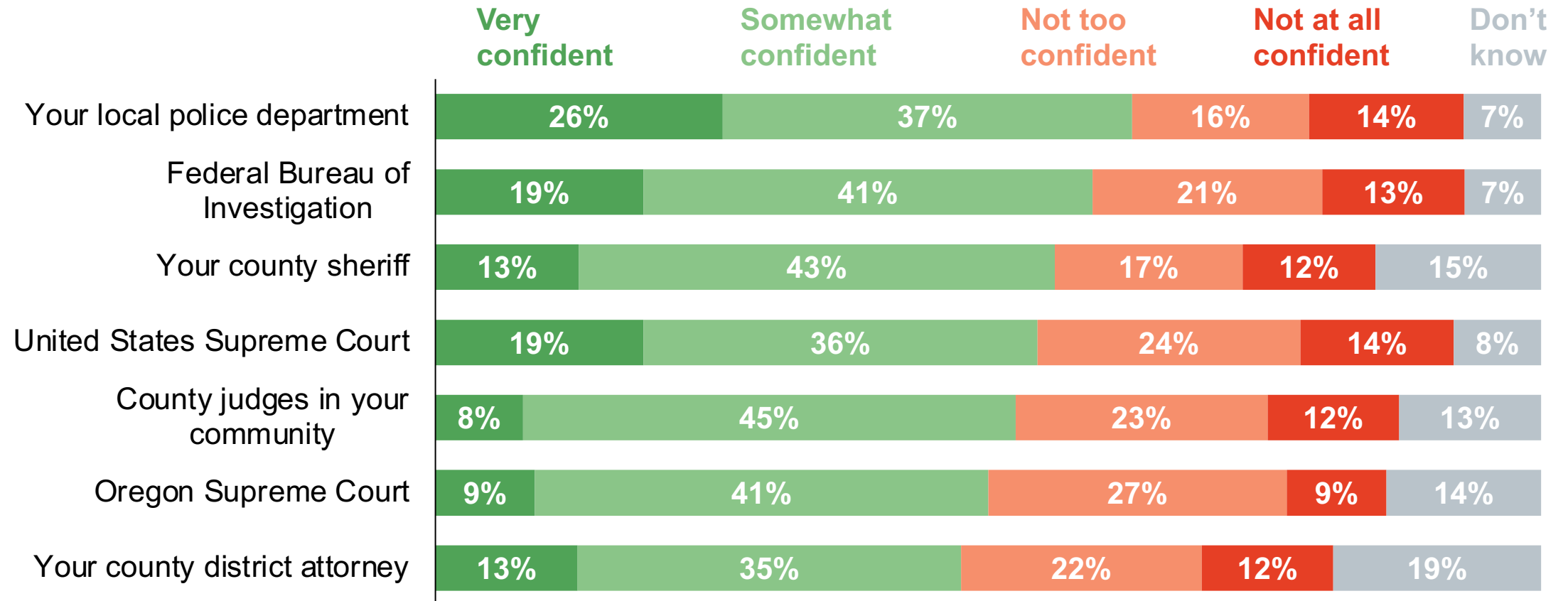


# Methodology

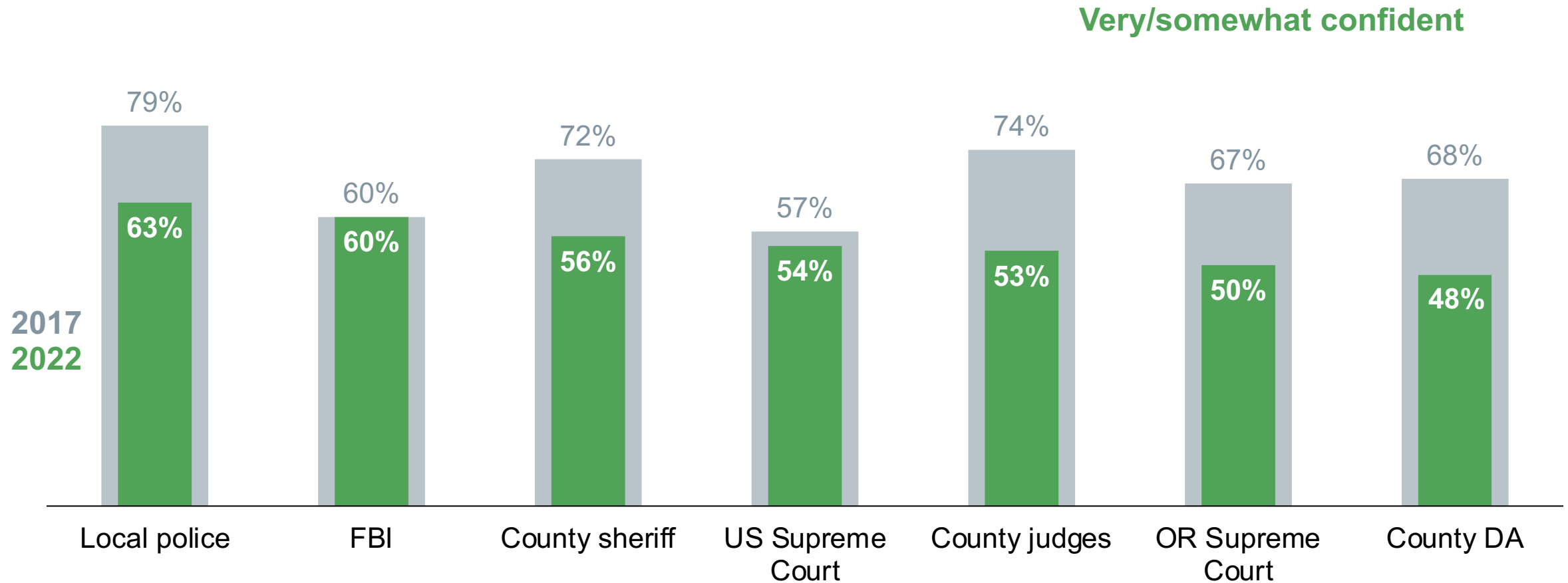
- Online survey of N=400 Oregonians ages 18+
- Conducted January 18–22, 2022 and includes benchmark data from previous surveys conducted in January 2017, 2018, 2019, and 2020
- Quotas and statistical weighting by gender, age, education, race, area of the state and political affiliation to match Oregon's general population
- Margin of error  $\pm 4.9\%$
- Due to rounding, some totals may differ by  $\pm 1$  from the sum of separate responses

# **Confidence in the legal justice system**

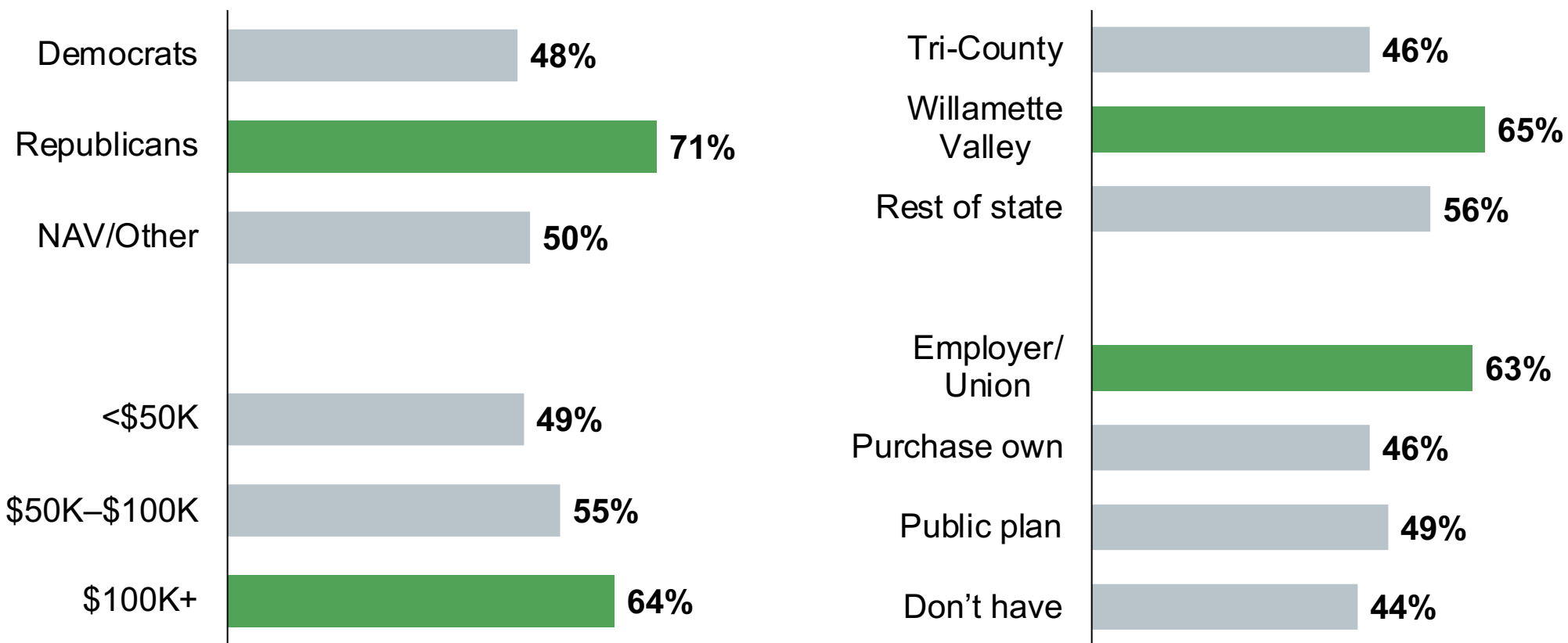
# Majorities have confidence in much of the legal justice system, especially when it comes to local police, but roughly 1 in 3 Oregonians lack confidence in the system.



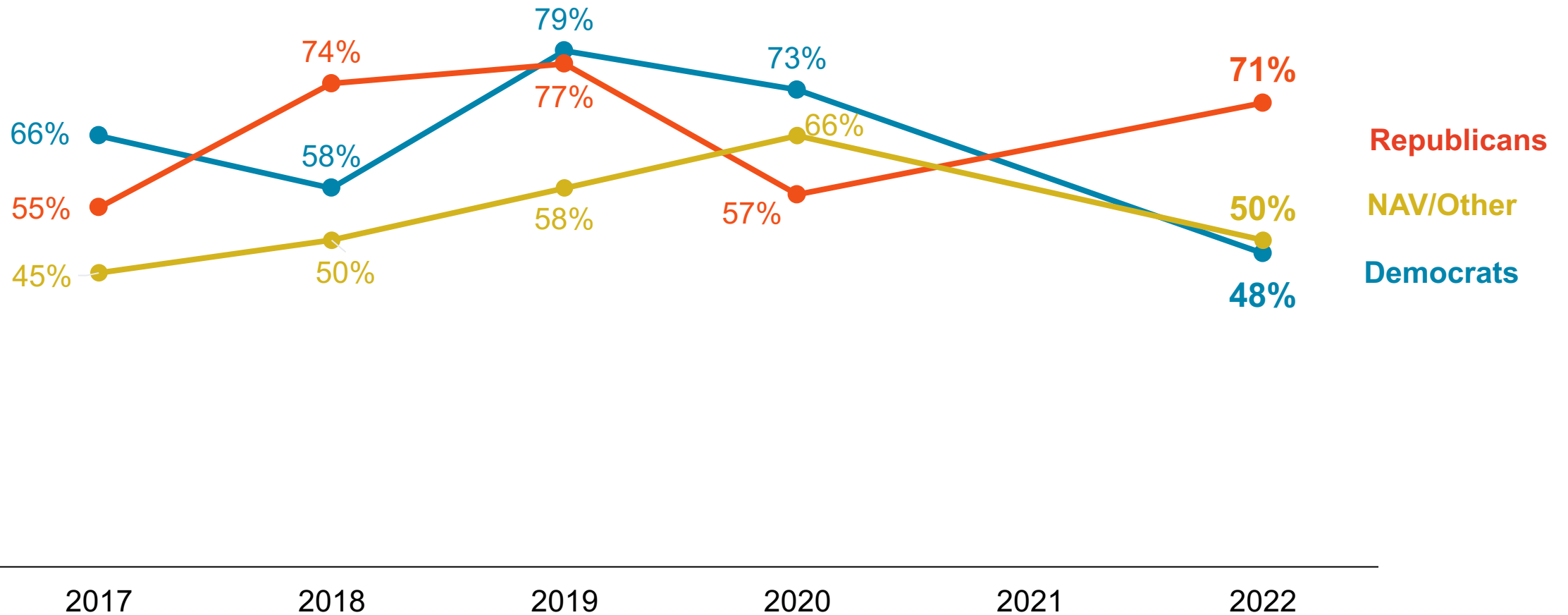
# Except when it comes to the FBI, there has been an erosion of confidence in legal justice institutions since 2017.



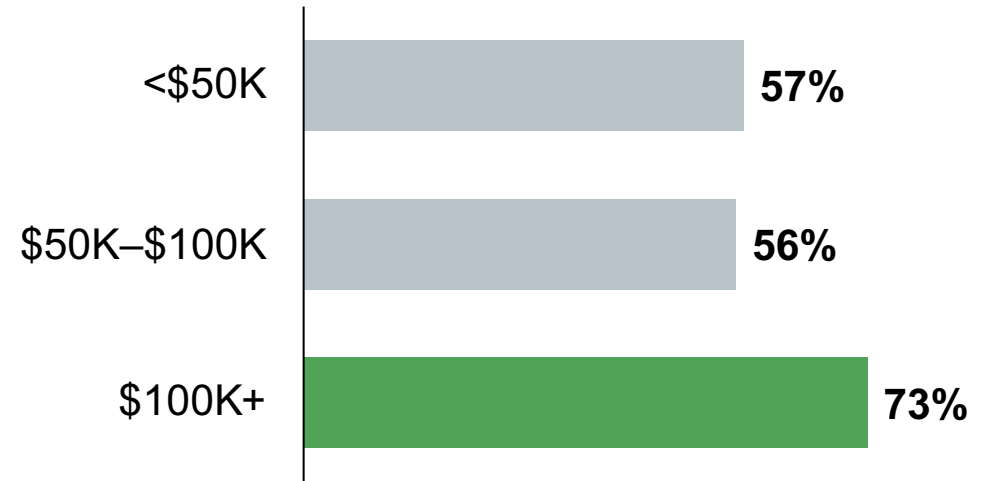
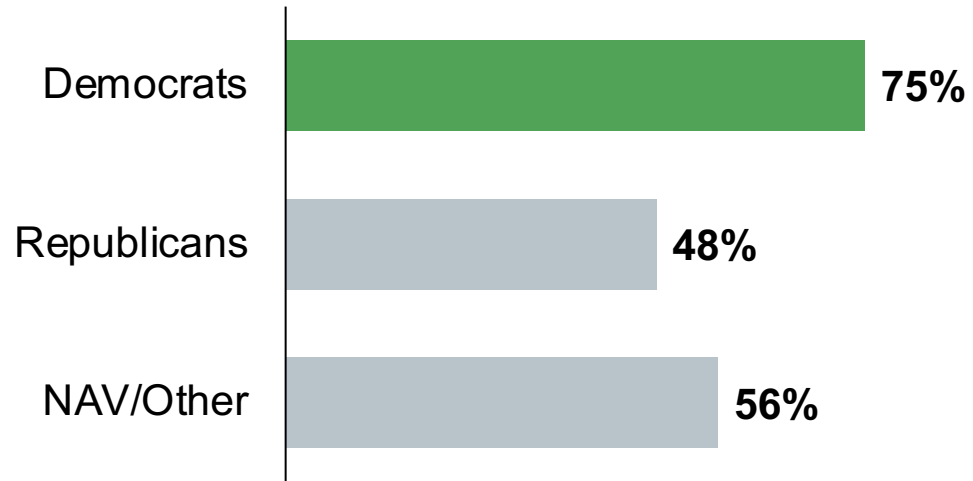
# Confidence in the U.S. Supreme Court is higher among Republicans, residents of the Willamette Valley, higher income voters, and residents with employer or union-provided health insurance.



# When it comes to confidence in the U.S. Supreme Court, the gap between Republicans and Democrats is now the widest it has been since 2017.

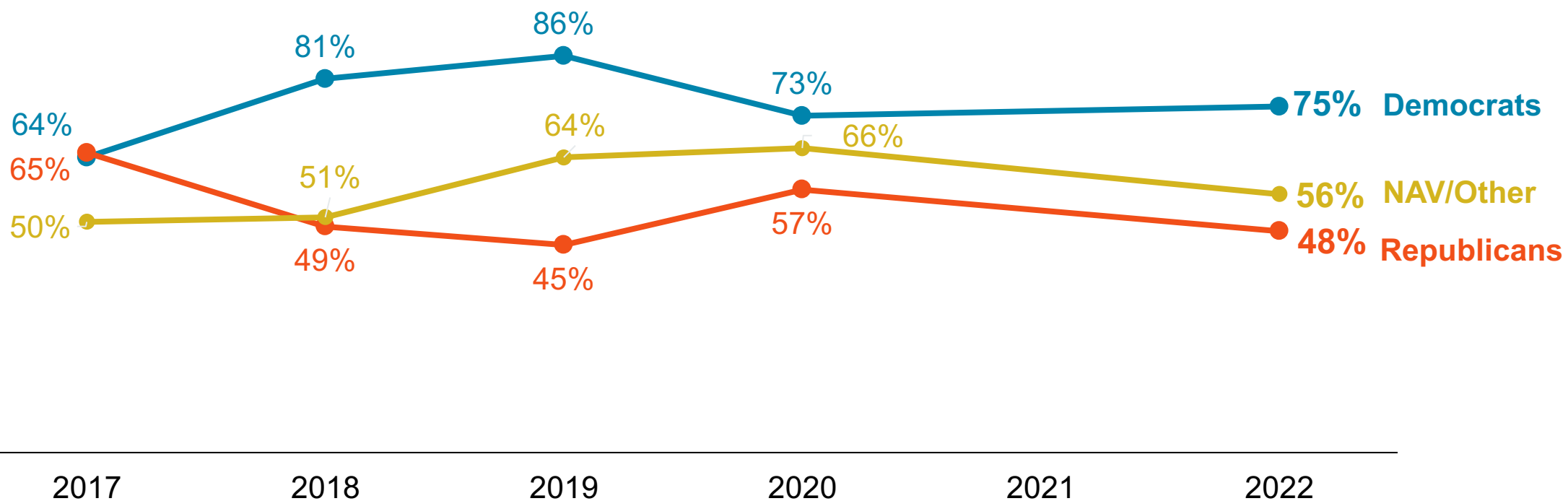


# Confidence in the FBI is higher among Democrats and higher income voters.

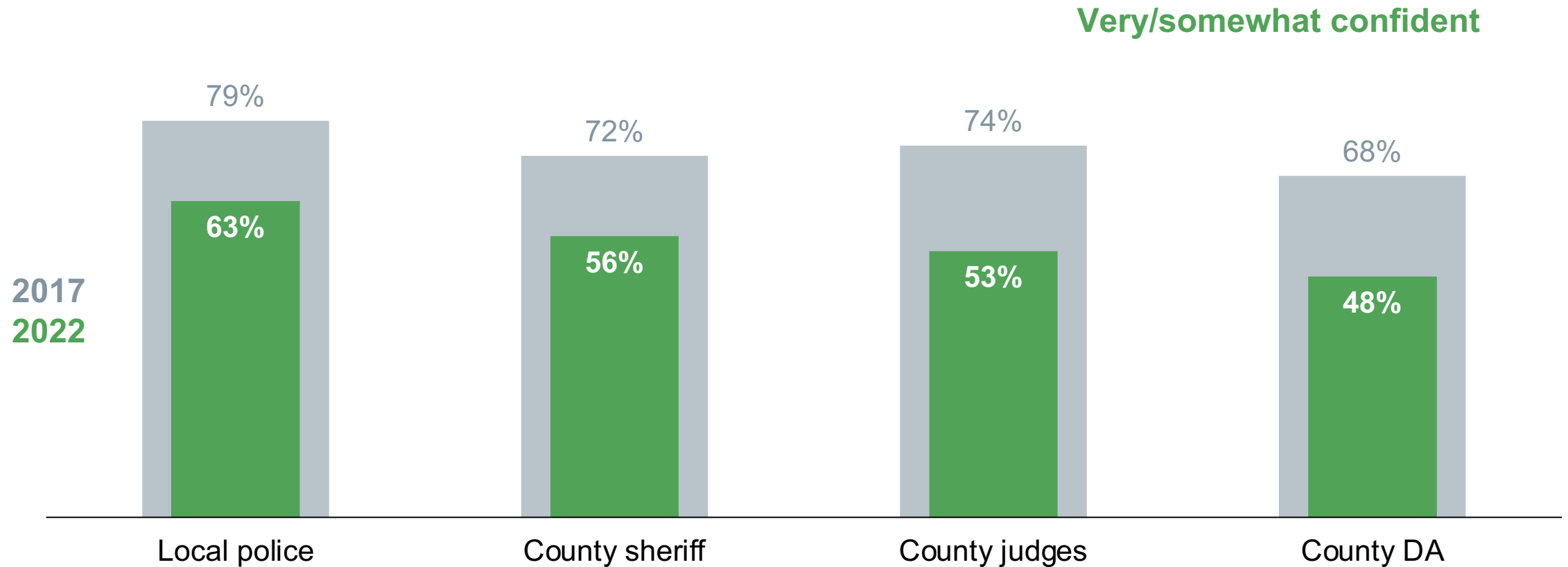




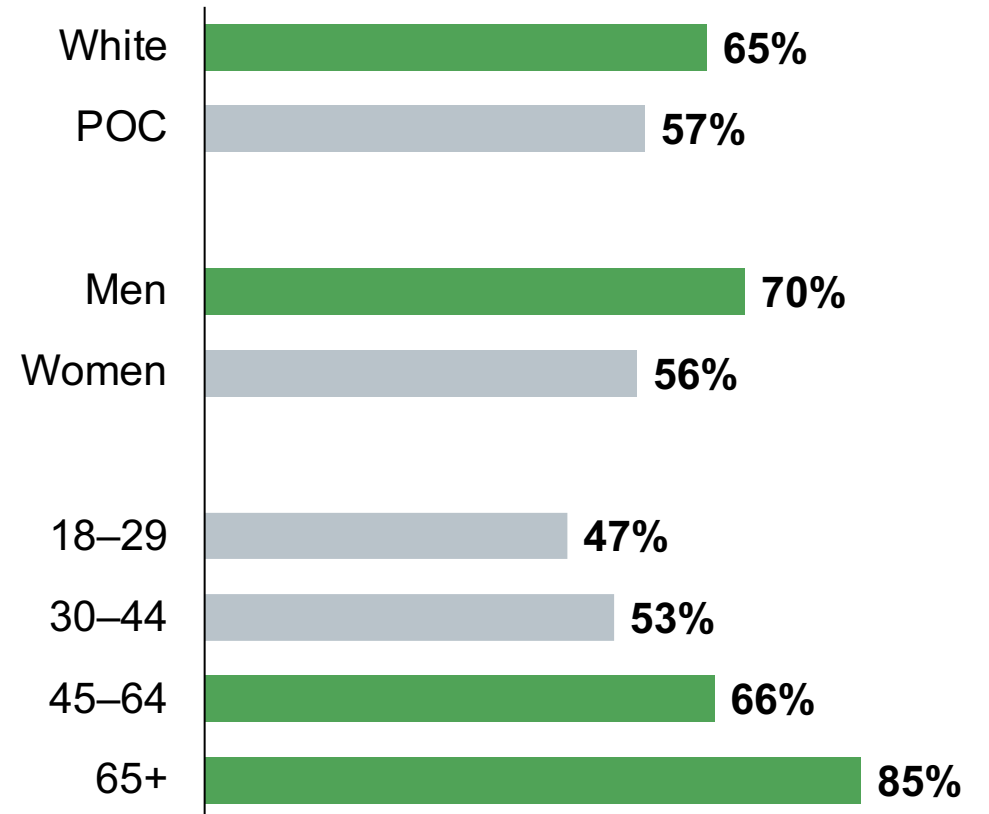
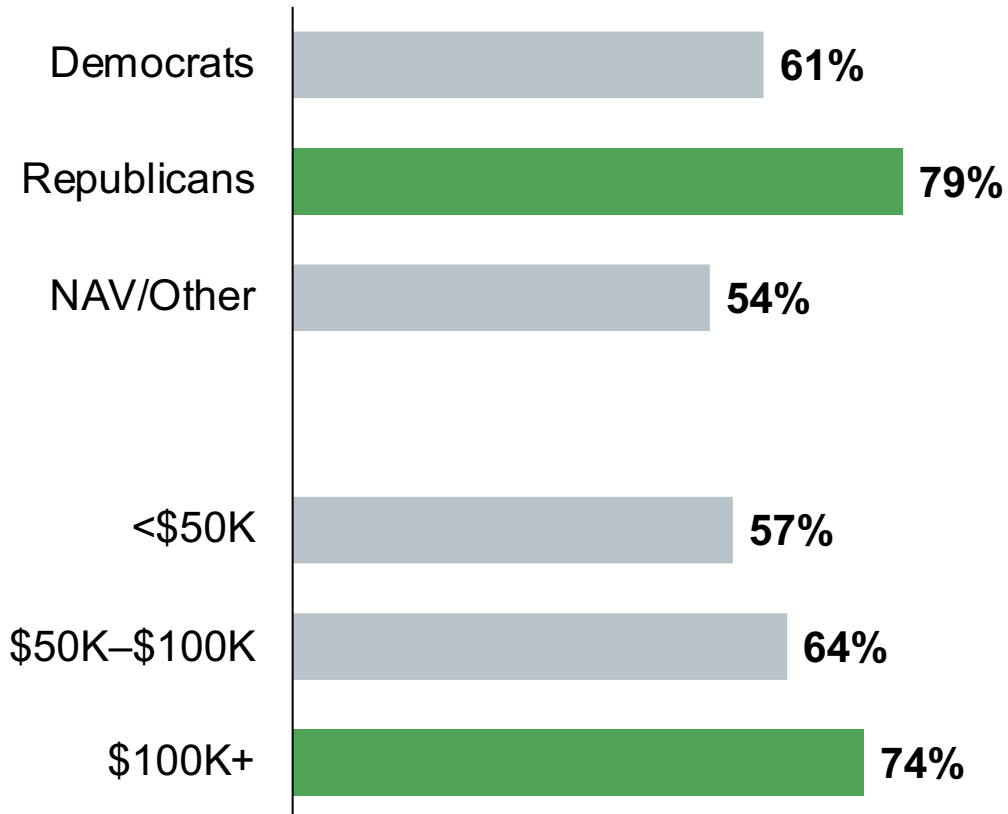
## Confidence in the FBI began to diverge in 2017, with Democrats becoming more confident and Republicans less so.



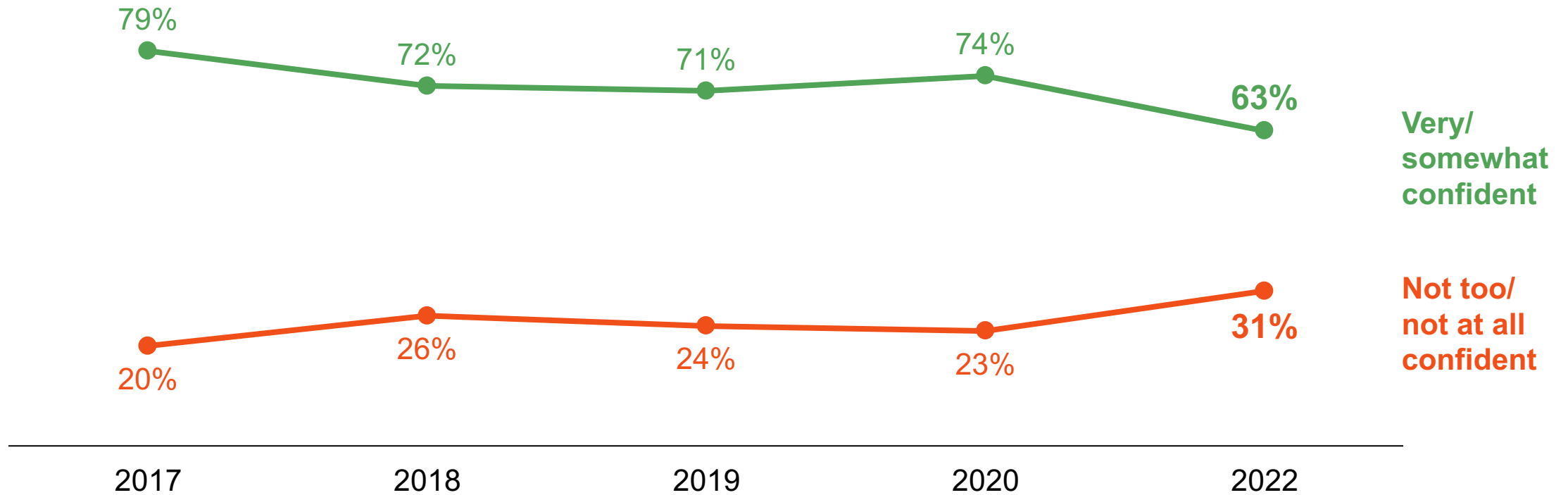
**Even at the local level, where legal justice institutions more often reflect local political preferences, there has been an erosion of confidence in the legal justice system.**



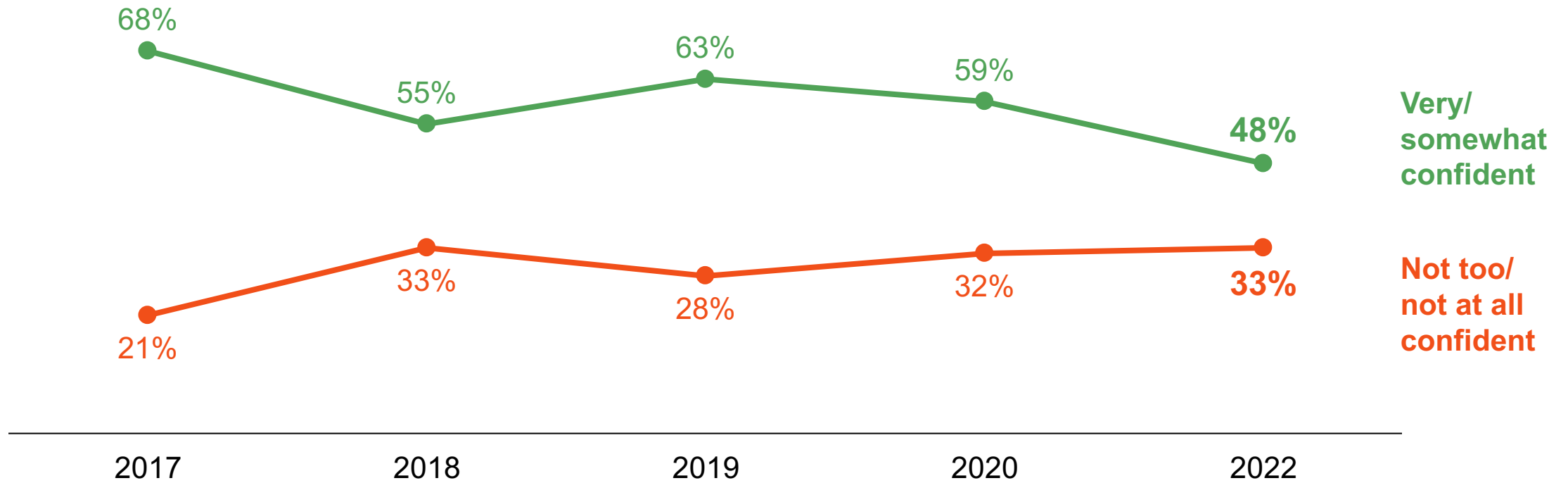
# Confidence in local police is higher among Republicans, higher income voters, white residents, men, and older Oregonians.



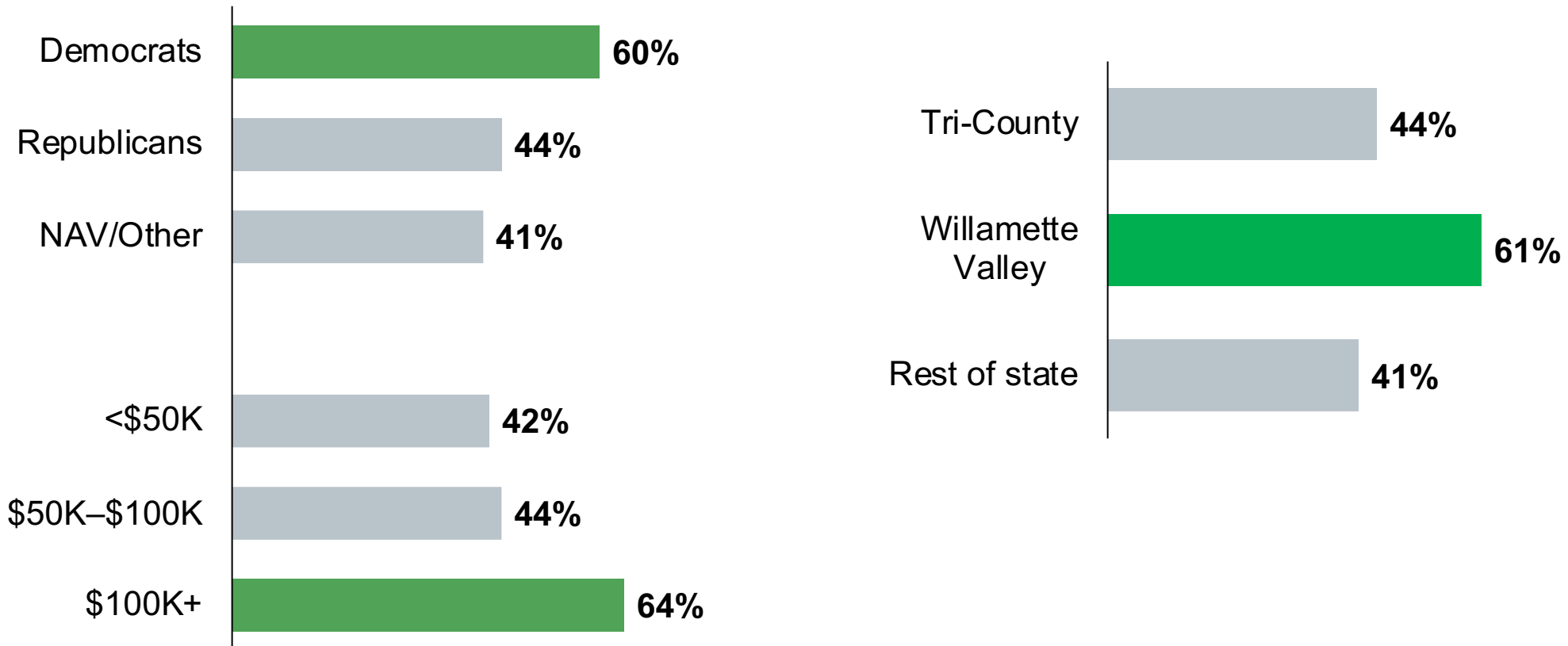
# The confidence of Oregonians in their local police departments has declined—especially after 2020.



# The confidence of Oregonians in their county district attorneys has also declined.



# Confidence in local district attorneys is higher among Democrats, Willamette Valley residents, and among higher-income residents.



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